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SIR:

In response to the Office Action of June 27, 2006, Applicants submit herewith an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant hereby requests a three -month extension of time for responding to the Office Action of June 27, 2006. The extended period for response expires on December 27, 2006. Please charge the \$1,020.00 extension fee and any other fee that may be required or credit any overpayment to Kenyon & Kenyon LLP Deposit Account No. 11-0600

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A copy of this form is enclosed for charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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